

South Carolina Statewide Survey of Historic Places

**State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO)
South Carolina Department of Archives and
History**

- **What is a Historic Resources Survey?**

The process of identifying, recording, and evaluating the historic sites and structures in a given geographical area.

What Materials are Compiled by a Survey?

- Set of survey forms—one form, with photographs, for each site recorded**
- Set of maps showing locations of recorded sites—USGS topographic maps for rural areas, tax parcel maps for urban areas**
- Survey report—including overview history of survey area, evaluation of recorded sites, planning recommendations, and compiled inventory**

Who Sponsors a Survey Project?

- Typically local government agency,
sometimes historical society or other
interested civic organization**
- Survey projects are eligible for support from
the SHPO's Survey & Planning Grants
Program**
- Project administered by local sponsor with
support of SHPO staff**

Who Conducts a Survey Project?

- **Qualified preservation consultants**
- **Consultant selected by local sponsor, with guidance of SHPO staff**
- **Consultant brings professional expertise to project; community involvement provides essential information about the history and resources of local area**

Who Benefits?

- **The Local Community: Planners, Government Agencies, Citizens**
- **SHPO: provides basis for other further preservation activity, including National Register, federal tax incentives, Certified Local Government (CLG) status, technical assistance, and review and compliance**

SC Statewide Survey of Historic Properties

Survey Manual

- **PDF file available for download at:**
 - **www.shpo.sc.gov/properties/survey**
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